

**William Short to Thomas Jefferson, September 30,
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Dear Sir

Mr. Hare who is going to Washington wishes to have the honor of being introduced to you. I am extremely happy that he furnishes me this occasion of testifying the sincere regard I have for him, as I rate him highly & have long considered him among my field of most worthy friends here. He is also an officer & a distinguished member of the Philosophical Society over which you preside. It is with real satisfaction that I add that Mr. Hare's genius & application marked him several years ago as a conspicuous laborer in the field of science which is so much explored & cultivated by the Philosophers of the old world. His discovery in the increase of heat & its generation on those bodies best sensible to heat, made him to be noticed in the most honorable manner by the authors of the Annals of chymistry. He obtained from them one of the few compliments paid to this our new world. Mr. Hare is also engaged in applying his philosophical mind to the improvement of a very important domestic manufacture, & pursues it with skill & industry. Thus whilst he procures honor to his country among the men of science, he renders himself at the same time an useful citizen. In both characters I know that he will meet you approbation. I am sure you will have pleasure in shewing it to him. I have great gratification then in presenting him

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to you & I take the occasion of repeating to you the assurances of those sentiments with which I have the honor to be, dear Sir, most sincerely, your friend & servant WShort

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